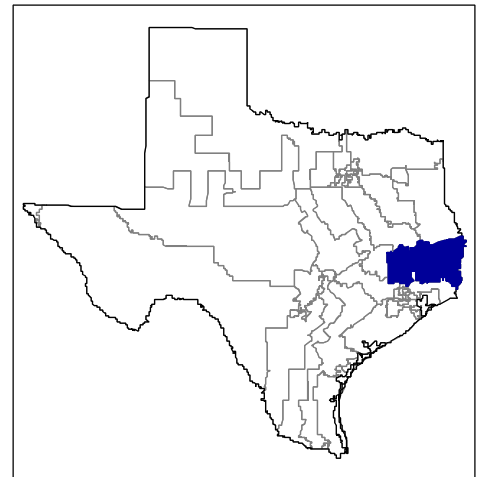




2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

109th Congress District 8, Texas



Number of farms: 7,708

Land in farms: 1,165,512 acres

Average size of farm: 151 acres

Irrigated Land: 7,409 acres

Total Number of Farm Operators: 11,678

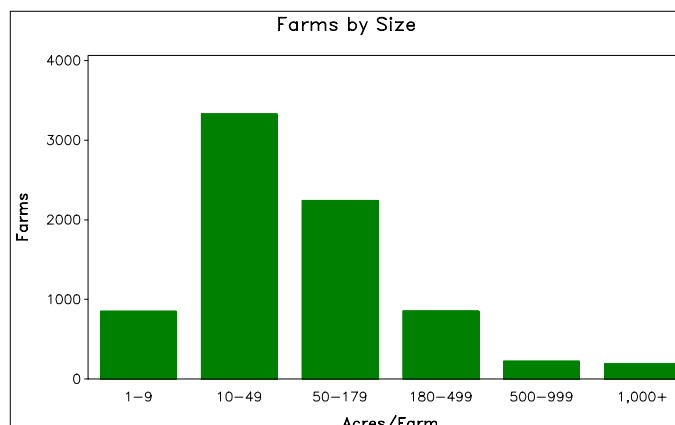
Market Value of Production: \$82,740,000

Market Value of Production, average per farm: \$10,734

Government Payments: \$808,000

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments: \$7,089

Gross Income from Farm Related Sources: \$8,452,000



**2002 Census of Agriculture
Congressional District Profile
United States Department of Agriculture, Texas Agricultural Statistics Service**

**109th Congress
District 8, Texas**

Ranked items among the 32 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	82,740	18	32	268	418
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) ²					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	862	24	31	274	370
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	106
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	22	(D)	110
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,953	18	30	272	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	898	18	31	273	402
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	26,613	8	32	156	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	22	(D)	351
Poultry and eggs	1,791	14	31	223	382
Cattle and calves	37,723	18	32	138	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	619	18	21	302	338
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	29	(D)	371
Sheep, goats, and their products	518	12	32	129	379
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	3,904	9	32	57	398
Aquaculture	6	18	20	293	320
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	189,738	16	32	113	394
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	13	31	176	386
Quail	81,297	1	24	12	312
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	22,915	11	29	146	353
Colonies of bees	17,944	1	28	30	388
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	104,370	17	32	135	391
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)	1	22	(D)	278
Corn for grain	2,323	23	29	245	328
Rice	(D)	7	7	(D)	39
All Cotton	(D)	17	23	(D)	112

Other Congressional District Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	2,608	Farming	3,699
\$1,000 to \$2,499	1,619	Other	4,009
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1,297		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	971	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	631	Male	6,714
\$20,000 to \$24,999	132	Female	994
\$25,000 to \$39,999	167		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	70	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	132		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	50	All operators ³ by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17	White	10,762
\$500,000 or more	14	Black or African American	541
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	126,023	American Indian or Alaska Native	69
Average per farm (\$)	15,960	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	14
		Asian	17
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-33,602	More than one race	63
Average per farm (\$)	-4,256	All operators ³ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	338

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

² Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

³ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.